

COMMISSIONERS APPROVAL

CHILCOTT *gc*

LUND

THOMPSON *at*

TAYLOR (Clerk & Recorder)

Date.....October 27, 2006

Members Present.....Commissioner Greg
Chilcott, Commissioner Betty Lund and Commissioner Alan Thompson

Minutes: Glenda Wiles

The Board met with Richard Laubach who lives on Stevensville-River Road near Stevensville. Richard stated he is having a problem with a neighbor who continually shoots his rifle in a residential neighborhood. The neighbor has set up a bullet trap with four sides. The bullet trap faces his property so all of the rounds are coming toward his lot. A few weeks ago the neighbor was shooting and Deputies responded and advised him to stop. No report was written. Two weeks later, the neighbor is shooting his rifle again. Richard stated he owns guns and is a life long shooter but he has never seen anything like this before. This is one mile from Highway 93 which includes houses and businesses in the area. They called the Sheriff again when the neighbor began to shoot at the bullet trap. Upon their arrival he asked them three times to write a report. They finally agreed to write a report but the report stated the bullet trap is no longer facing Richard's residence. Richard stated no matter where the muzzle of the rifle is pointed, it is still a public safety issue.

Richard was concerned there is no law to stop this type of shooting. Discussion included the state law and if an ordinance was enacted by the local government entity; it can not make the ordinance more restrictive than the state law. Other Montana Statutes address responsible use, but not prohibition of the use in a county jurisdiction.

Commissioner Chilcott indicated they would take this information and questions to the County Attorney's Office getting back to Richard with the information. (529-3579).

In other business the Board met for various administrative matters which included the following:

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to have the Chairman sign the Family Planning Agreement with the State of Montana for an increase of funding (contract #07-07-5-11-006-0). Commissioner Chilcott seconded the motion and all voted "aye".

The Board addressed the request by the Extension Office to approve the Extension Service Agreement (budget) with MSU Extension. The Commissioners agreed to visit with Administrative Director Skip Rosenthal and the Accounting Supervisor in regard to budgeted monies prior to approving this budget.

In other business the Board met with MSU Extension Agent Steve Sigland in regard to the performance of the two Extension Agents within Ravalli County. Discussion also included the programs the agents are working on. A closed door was invoked due to the discussion of personnel issues with the approval of one of the Extension Agents.